

1 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
2 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

3 TROY EMANUEL, JR.,
4 Plaintiff
5 v.
6 COOKE, et al.,
7 Defendants
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Case No.: 3:23-cv-00564-CSD

Order

Re: ECF No. 69

9 Before the court is Defendants' motion for leave to file medical records under seal in
10 connection with their motion for summary judgment. (ECF No. 69.)

11 When the documents sought to be sealed are “more than tangentially related to the merits
12 of a case,” as they are here, the court must find compelling reasons support the sealing of the
13 documents. *Center for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Group, LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1096-97, 1101 (9th
14 Cir. 2016).

15 This court, and others within the Ninth Circuit, have recognized that the need to protect
16 medical privacy qualifies as a "compelling reason" for sealing records because the plaintiff's
17 interest in keeping his sensitive health information confidential outweighs the public's need for
18 direct access to the medical records.

19 Therefore, Defendants' motion (ECF No. 69) is **GRANTED**.

20 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

21 Dated: August 21, 2025

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23 Craig S. Denney
United States Magistrate Judge